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EXPORT OF BANANA
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the countries to which banana is being exported from India;

(b) the percentage contribution of major banana producing States particularly of Karnataka in the total export of banana during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government are aware that there is vast scope for increasing export of banana from Karnataka;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to give incentives to the farmers of Karnataka to promote banana as a commercial crop; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a): Some of the major export destinations of Banana from India are United Arab Emirates (UAE), Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, Kuwait, Bahrain, West European countries like Belgium, Netherlands, Germany, France and UK and SAARC and other North Centra American region.

(b): State-wise data on export of various commodities is not maintained.

(c) to (e): No specific information on potential of increasing export of banana from Karnataka is available. Steps taken for increasing export of fresh fruits and vegetables including banana includes schemes for infrastructure development, packaging development, quality control, market development and organisation building and HRD etc.